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Ballot Measure A

Debate centers on need for water management

By KEN PETERSON

EFFICIENT WATER planning versus inefficient government spending have emerged as the main pro and con arguments surrounding the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Measure A on Tuesday's ballot.

Peninsula voters will be asked to create the district and give it authority to levy up to 10 cents on the property tax rate. At the same time, 20 candidates are seeking election to five board of director seats with the district.

According to Supervisor Sam Farr of Carmel, a leading proponent of the district, it would give the Peninsula "financial and legal authority to manage its fresh water resources."

He points out that there are eight agencies on the Peninsula now with authority over some aspect of water use. None have the power to do comprehensive planning nor do they have financial authority to back up their plans, he said.

Don Southard of the Monterey County Taxpayers Association and an opponent of Measure A, said the planning can be done in the private sector by the California-American Water Co. He said past experience has shown that government can spend a lot of money without accomplishing anything and he fears the water district would become another hole down which to pour tax dollars.

The two spoke at a forum sponsored by the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association last Thursday. Another forum was hosted by the League of Women Voters Tuesday.

Eleven of the candidates appeared and five others submitted letters outlining their positions.

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FARR SAID by having a single planning agency, Peninsula residents would be able to investigate the main water supply alternatives—a new dam on the Carmel River, more Valley wells or use of reclaimed water—and determine which is best to meet future needs.

Voters would have the final word in deciding if they want to spend money on any supply projects, he said. Any proposal to build a dam or other facility—even if it were completely funded by an outside agency—would have to be approved by local voters.

The issue of buying out the Cal-Am system "is not necessarily the answer," Farr said. The district could sell water to the private utility.

He noted that the Cal-Am service area boundaries do not cover the entire Carmel Valley, leaving a large area unregulated except by land use planning.

We need a locally elected district that has the power to regulate all groundwater in the Carmel Valley within state law, require irrigation for riparian vegetation, reclaim wastewater and be able to go on a comprehensive rationing program," he said.

Farr said the area cannot deal with growth without water and "we can't manage water in a reasonable professional method without a water management district."

Southard said that while Cal-Am made a lot of mistakes in not planning for future water needs, the drought was "the two-by-four that woke them up." He said Peninsula residents have learned conservation out of the adversity.

Southard doubted that the elected directors would be responsive to the local will, citing his experiences with other city and county agencies.

He also said that the solution to the water problem is conservation and more supplies from the Carmel Valley, not creating another government bureaucracy which could spend $700,000 to $800,000 per year.

He said local government bodies practice the "Adolf Eichmann school of management because they punish the taxpayers."

Southard also said the two most widely discussed water supply approaches—buying Cal-Am and running it as a public water agency and building a new Carmel River dam—would cost hundreds of millions of dollars to taxpayers.

The area needs an assured water supply, he said, but "the only way to do it is in the private sector."

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MOST OF THE candidates for the district board of directors support for-

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BARBECUED HAMBURGERS were the main course at the Captain Cooper Invitational, a play day organized to acquaint fifth graders from Carmel Valley, Big Sur and Carmel. Some 90 youngsters, all bound for Carmel Middle School in September, came to the invitational in May and slept overnight. Chefs were (left to right) Neil Smith, a fifth grade teacher at River School, Pat Allen, principal at Tularcitos School, and Bob Douglas, principal at Captain Cooper School in Big Sur. More photos are on pages 8 and 9. (Paula Walling photo)

Advisors mired in search for growth control tool

By KEN PETERSON

THE CARMEL VALLEY Master Plan advisory committee waded into the topic of growth management on Wednesday of last week and quickly bogged down as it tried to find methods for restricting new construction.

The committee also discussed making recommendations to the Monterey County Planning Commission on current projects, but decided to reserve comment for its individual members.

The growth management report of the committee—considered the key item for the master plan—is shaping up as a tool for using environmental and social criteria to decide the number and nature of projects that will be permitted over the next 20 years.

The subcommittee report on growth management, set on the committee agenda tonight at 7:30 at Carmel Valley Manor, will endorse a Petaluma-type approach. This would limit the total number of building permits allowed each year and allocate those permits to high-quality projects. "High quality" would be defined by criteria chosen by the committee, including factors such as design, selling price and open space preserved.

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COMMITTEE DISCUSSION last week centered on the idea of development rights transfers, proposed in the socio-economic report submitted by Mel Steckler, a committee member. This system involves setting a numerical limit on new buildings in the Valley, assigning units-per-acre values to all land and leaving the actual selection and construction of projects to the open market.

Once all the development rights are used up, there would be no new construction in the Valley.

Steckler said this method would protect all property owners, since those who do not want to build on their land could sell their development rights to others. The land without development rights would be taxed at a reduced level because it no longer has development potential, he said.

Desirable projects would require fewer development rights to build, he said. Those which the committee wants to restrict would need more development rights. What is and is not desirable has not been determined.

Don Middleton, who served on the growth management subcommittee, said while the idea "as a theory is fantastic, we felt on a practical level" it would be nearly impossible to put in effect.

Not the least of the problems, he said, would be getting the public to understand the idea.

Middleton said his subcommittee spent hours debating all the alternative plans and finally settled on the modified Petaluma plan. The plan is named after the northern California city which first used it to control growth.

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CARL HOOPER of Bestor Engineers Inc. said the Petaluma approach has one major drawback—it deals with limits on building permits, not on lot subdivisions. But, he pointed out that few developments in the Valley involve subdivisions where tract homes are built. Most involve putting in streets and other improvements and selling lots for custom homes. In many cases, these lots are not completely built upon for 20 or 30 years. He cited Rancho Rio Vista, at the mouth of the Valley, which is about 80 per cent built out after 30 years.

Thus, the building permit application could be made years after the subdivision is approved and the pattern for growth set.

Jack Van Zander, a committee member and Hooper's partner at Bestor Engineers, said he still has fears of "parcel pollution" in the Valley because economics will make single-family homes on individual lots the most attractive form of development. He said this would be the case whether the lots were one acre, three acres or five acres, whatever the committee sets as a criterion.

Middleton countered that "no one on our committee is suggesting we carte blanche accept the Petaluma plan." He said the committee could weight its development formula to direct and control growth away from "parcel pollution."

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BEFORE THE DISCUSSIONS began, committee member Nancy Burnett asked that the group take a stand favoring or opposing major developments now in the works for the Valley.

"I'm not asking a moratorium on everything in the Valley," she said, "just certain large projects."

feedbag

by lucy smithson

When is a bit not a bit? When it's abused a bit? When a horse has to bite it to the bitter end? When it's a little bit of metal swimming in the spittle of a horse of fine fettle with a rider in the middle?

We were recently leafing through a catalog of horse gear. We discovered that this particular mail order company offered 16 bridles in its English tack section and 70 kinds of bits. That was four full pages of bits in the catalog. And that was just for the section on English tack.

For Westerners they offered 17 bridles and 38 bits. Some of the bits offered in the Western section were the same as those offered in the English section but they had been given different names. For instance a "polo gag bit" became a "cowboy gag bit."

Does it fool anyone that in the English section you can order a "stainless steel jointed mouth Argentine bit," a particularly vicious model of a Pelham, for $31.95 while the same thing is offered in the Western section as a "trainer's snaffle" for $20?

The answer is yes, it does fool most of the people most of the time. Horse people love to be fooled. Sometimes the leaders in the horse world are also leaders in foolishness. It's just the way this little subculture works.

Every horseman, and we use the word loosely, likes to think he has the answer to every horse's problems. Often, horsewomen are just as macho as men about this. Nobody likes to admit that this Saturday's tiger isn't going to be Monday's pussycat. It just takes the horse trainer's magnetic personality and his secret patented bit.

The ancient Greeks used a bar bit that had sharp metal burrs with spines on 'em inside the horse's mouth. They could really control those Parthenon ponies! Xenophon wrote the first treatise on horsemanship in order to set them straight.

Modern Americans are more into gimmick bits than any other horsemen in history. And they have a kind of bit the ancient Greeks didn't have—the lever action bit we call a curb. Pull on the reins of a curb bit, the bit turns on the fulcrum of the horse's mouth. The reins go in one direction ... the rings holding the curb strap go in the other. Put enough leverage on the curb bit and you can squeeze the bones of the horse's jaw in a powerful vise. Though he may lift his head and toss it, he cannot escape.

A horse can escape the snaffle bit. The rider has to drop his hands to pull the horse's head down before it will work in the proper position. With a certain amount of training a rider can teach a horse to put his head down when the bit is applied but it takes a little application on the part of the rider.

Snaffles have been diddled with in various ways to make them more impressive to a high headed horse. Make them skinny and cutty. Make them of twisted wire and use them to saw back and forth across the horse's lips. Put holes through them so that the reins can be continued in one piece up behind the horse's head and across the bare nerve spot behind his ears on the pull.

Snaffles have also been played with to make them gentler ... wrapped in rubber, given no-pinch eggbutt ends, made of thick hollow aluminum which spreads the bit effect over a wider surface area inside the horse's mouth. Gentlest of all is the straight bar snaffle slightly curved so as to leave space for the horse's tongue. That was the standard bit for plow horses.

Of course, plow horses are among the most highly trained equines in the world. Last weekend we saw some other highly trained horses at the Carmel Valley Dressage Show. Before each horse went into the arena a horse show steward actually looked inside its mouth to make sure that only a regulation gentle snaffle bit was used. No gimmicks.

But if you laid end to end all the hours a dressage person spends training his horse to go happily in a simple snaffle, it would add up to more time than your Uncle Tim spent hanging around the pool hall.

A curb bit has its purposes. If you're riding a Western saddle, that high front makes it difficult for a rider to keep his hands low enough to use a snaffle properly. And if you're trying to DO anything in that saddle—especially if it takes gear to do it with and most especially if you're trying to do it with one hand—you must have a curb bit. A curb bit raises the horse's front end to where you can address it and the problem of whatever you're trying to do.

But you still don't need gimmick bits. You don't need a "curb gag with chain mouthpiece" such as is pictured in our mail order catalog. You don't need a "schooling bit" that has a piece of wire over the nose counter-poised to the curb strap. You don't need a so-called "Western snaffle" which is a curb bit with a jointed mouthpiece. You think of how those work and of how nutcrackers work for a few minutes. Tell us how you don't need one.

Now you take your little six-inch ruler to your bridle. Measure the length of the lever arms on your bit. That's the distance from the mouth to the rings that hold the curb strap and the distance from the mouth to the rings that hold the reins. A gentle bit has a ratio of about 1:3. An average bit has a ratio of 1:4.

Your jawcracker bits go up from there. This catalog features one with "a seven- or nine-inch cheek." One little pull on that one and the horse will stop dead all right. And if he doesn't put his head up high, he's going to stab himself in the neck with the lower parts of the bit.

Sorry, Xenophon. 2,500 years have made no progress. We still have plenty of fools putting terrible things in horses' mouths with the mistaken idea that it is the bit that does the work instead of the horse and rider.

under the oaks and among the cacti

by mildred hattan

ADMIRING OLENE Dick's "best in show" potted plant and Rosemary Roberts's "best in hanging plants" at the 1978 Carmel Valley Garden Association's Flower Show are (left to right) Mary Martin, past president of club; Alice Mehdy, show consultant; Mary Jernegan show co-chairman; and Reeford Shea, club president. The show was judged in May.

New born for the Johnsons

Jennifer, Erin and Lauren Johnson welcomed a baby sister, Kerry Ann, on May 4. She was born at the Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital. Dr. and Mrs. Steven Johnson of Toro Park are parents of the nine-pound arrival. The Rev. and Mrs. Don Johnson of Horizon Way are paternal grandparents of Kerry Ann whose maternal grandparents will arrive in the near future for a visit from their home in southern California.

Mona Mehdy earns science fellowship

Mona Mehdy, who graduated with honors from Carmel High School with the class of '73 and from UC Berkeley, was among the 4,331 applicants for a three-year graduate fellowship to the National Science Foundation and one of only 490 selected for the award.

Mona, who grew up on Pilot Road where her parents own the Oleander Garden Shop, presently is studying plant physiology under a doctoral grant at Michigan State University.

All Saints' class visits Yosemite National Park

Steeped in information concerning the Indian history, flora, fauna, biology and geology of Yosemite are the All Saints' seventh graders, who spent a week at Camp Curry enrolled in the educational camp sponsored by the Yosemite Institute. Activities also included snowshoeing near Tioga Road and skiing at Badger Pass.

Accompanying the young people were Tania Bates, seventh grade instructor and her husband, Seth, and Rene Nasri, seventh grade mathematics and science instructor and her husband, Fares.

Mrs. Threadgill elected Home Society prexy

During an installation luncheon at the Doubletree Inn in Monterey, Mrs. Burney Threadgill of Carmel Valley was named president of the Children's Home Society Council.

Introduced as presidents of the society's local chapters were Valleyite Mrs. Darrell C. Jewett, Punch and Judy chapter; and Mrs. Joseph Anastasi, Mother Goose chapter; Mrs. Donel Geisen, Little Bits chapter; and Mrs. James Hull, Night Owls chapter.

During the afternoon, membership pins were presented to Mrs. Virginia Crawford, Mrs. Richard Schnal and Mrs. Robert Kaller of Carmel Valley and to Mrs. John Beesley of Monterey.

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Student exchange

Local girls find new friends on Navajo reservation

"LIVING ON a Navajo reservation for three weeks is an experience I'll always remember," says Jan Clemens, 17, a Carmel High School junior. "My family in Pajoaque (N.M.) helped me to feel like one of them," adds Marie Miller, 18, a senior at Carmel High School.

Both girls have returned from an exchange program arranged by the American Field Service, which sponsored the six-week exchange between New Mexico Indians and California students. The Robin Miller family and the Gordon Clemens family each welcomed an Indian girl to their homes for three weeks. The Indians attended Carmel High School while they were here. Later, the Carmel girls and their "Indian sisters" flew to New Mexico along with some 30 other California high school students and the Indian brothers and sisters they had hosted.

Katherine Reed, a Navajo from Shiprock, N.M., was hostess to Jan. Katherine was fascinated by the Pacific Ocean and the green hills around Carmel. Jan was welcomed by Katherine's family, Mrs. Tom Reed and Katherine's 10 brothers and sisters. Jan was taken to an Indian pow wow where she was the only Anglo present and she said the dancing was outstanding.

Other experiences included watching sheep herding near the grandmother's hogan and watching her grandmother weave rugs. "It would take her several months to do a small rug, but that included carding the wool and dying it," Jan says. "My family spoke both English and Navajo and my grandparents spoke only Navajo, so I learned to greet them in Navajo. Grandfather was the medicine man and one of Katherine's brothers is learning to become the medicine man when her grandfather is too old."

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JAN WAS taken to special Indian places including Shiprock, Monument Valley and Canyon De Chelly. "I did a lot of hiking and even saw hieroglyphics from ages ago that the Navajos don't usually show to tourists."

During her stay, Jan also lived in the Indian dormitory with her Navajo sister and attended Aztec High School. "This was about 50 miles from our home on the reservation. I was the only Anglo in the dorm, but there were others in the high school."

Marie lived in Pajoaque with the George Yates family and her hostess-sister, Betty. The family was much like Marie's in Carmel Valley with children the same ages.

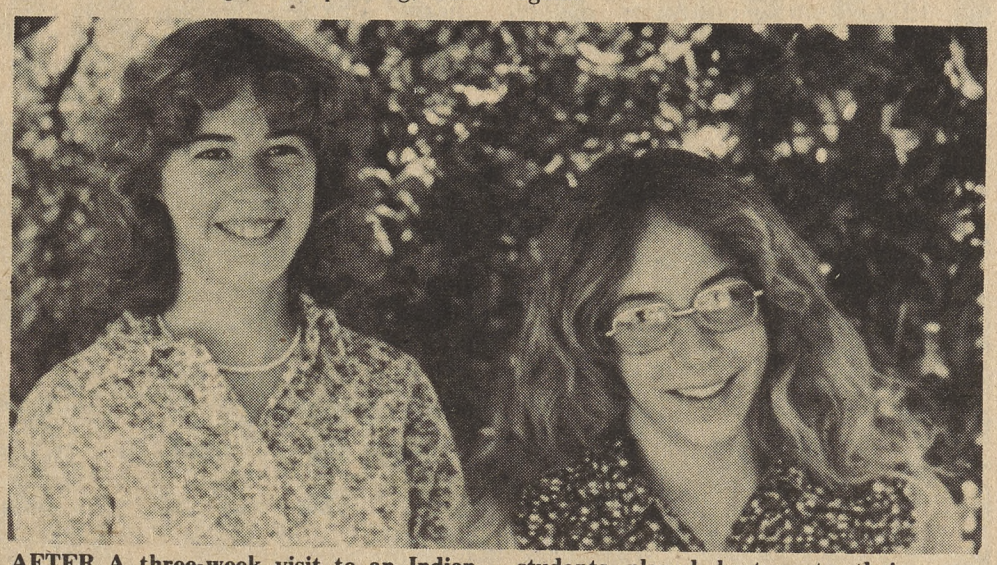
They own their own home and land. However, they are building a home on the pueblo where they will live later on. Building the home is a family project on weekends and vacations. Marie learned how to make adobe mud filler which is used to put the adobe bricks together. Her job was pouring water on the pile of mud and working it to the right consistency. Then grandfather would take it off in a wheelbarrow to the house.

"The roof is mud, too. You grab the mud and throw it where it is needed, then use a trowel. In the final layer, some kind of stucco is put in so the mud won't run in the rain," Marie says.

Marie enjoyed visits to the Nambe Pueblo to visit her grandparents. Her grandmother shared Indian cooking secrets with Marie, making bread pudding, fruit pies the Indian way, fry bread and possole, a pueblo soup with meat, hominy and beans.

As Marie left, her grandmother said, "This place is your home away from home. If you can come back, you are welcome. We don't have much, but we would share whatever we have."

Both Jan and Marie say they are planning how they can have their Indian friends here again.



AFTER A three-week visit to an Indian reservation, Jan Clemens of Carmel and Marie Miller of Carmel Valley are back at home. The two Carmel High School students played hostess to their counterparts from New Mexico and then returned with them to see life on a reservation first hand.

Mercurio subdivision plan is rejected

A 21-HOME subdivision proposal in Carmel Valley was unanimously rejected by the Monterey County Planning Commission Wednesday on grounds that major environmental impacts could not be mitigated.

The proposal by Antone Mercurio of Monterey called for creating the homesites on 34 acres on a ridgetop across Carmel Valley Road from the Mid-Valley Shopping Center.

The main constraints cited by the commission in turning down the proposal on a 7-0 vote were the steepness of slopes on the building site, problems with septic sewage disposal and a density too high for the land.

Carl Hooper of Bestor Engineers Inc., representing Mercurio at the hearing, said the decision would be appealed to the county board of supervisors.

"Does the moon rise at night?" he replied when asked if he would appeal.

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IN HIS presentation to the commission, Hooper pointed out that the Mercurio subdivision would be a lower density than the adjoining Tierra Grande property, where there are 63 lots on 43 acres. The Mercurio lots would be at least an acre each, he said.

Hooper also said there would be adequate level land for septic tank leach fields and that the Monterey shale soil would be able to treat the effluent as it percolates.

He also showed slides of the subdivision site and explained that the property would be partially visible from only three places on Carmel Valley Road.

Mary Ann Matthews of the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association cited draft recommendations on slope density by the Carmel Valley Master Plan Study Committee which, she said, would require lower density for the land. On behalf of the CVPOA, she asked that the project "go back on the drawing board for a lower density."

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MAYOR GUNNAR Norberg of Carmel said he could foresee problems by drawing additional water from the Carmel Valley aquifer and possible pollution from septic tanks.

Hooper countered that well water for the development would come from the Tularcitos aquifer, which he said already is supplying wells on the Vista Nadura land and another small subdivision adjacent to the Mercurio property.

Commissioner William Peters said the "perennial problem" with septic tanks was a major concern of his.

"As I understand (the California Environmental Quality Act), we can't vote for projects whose major effects can't be mitigated. The staff says the septic tanks won't work."

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KEN JONES, executive director of the Regional Water Quality Control Board, also wrote the commission asking rejection of the project because of problems with septic disposal.

Peters also said the added

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It was a goof

It was a mistake, folks.

In the "Outlook" last week, there was an error in a headline and it might have been misleading. It read: "Trade-off of weeds for subdivision is proposed."

"Weeds" should have been "woods." We regret the error.

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Golfers become champs

In golf action, the Padres won the Region IV championship by defeating Harbor High and Monterey High Thursday at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch. Mark Robertson was low medalist with a two-under par 69 as he scored four birdies and only two bogeys en route to leading Carmel into the CCS championship match, which was played yesterday at Rancho Canada.

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Lose in regional play

Padre season ends on 12-6 score

By JAY POSNER

THE CARMEL High Padres' season came to an abrupt end Friday as Soquel High eliminated them 12-6 in the semifinals of the Central Coast Section Region IV championships.

The Padre starting pitcher, right-hander Dave Carpenter, came into the game with a 6-2 record, but because of three Padre errors and eight walks in only 4⅔ innings, he left with a 6-3 record. Carpenter gave up nine runs, four of them earned, while he was in there and John Lucido allowed three unearned runs in the 1⅓ innings he pitched.

Soquel scored twice in the

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first on two hits, one a double by Cliff Allison and three walks. Allison had two more hits on the day to account for the four runs he batted in. The Padres scored once in the second on a leadoff single by Dave McKenzie, a walk to Carpenter, a sacrifice bunt by Steve Sepersky and an infield single by Mike Odello.

The Padres then scored twice in the third to take a 3-2 lead as Soquel pitcher Jeff Stewart walked Pete Rolfing and John Frincke to lead off the inning. One out later, McKenzie grounded out to second to bring in Rolfing. Carpenter then hit a booming double to left that hit the wall on one bounce, driving in Frincke.

Soquel came back in the bottom of the third to take a 5-3 lead on errors by Joe Limov and Neil Vandervort, a base hit and a walk. But Carmel tied it up in the fourth as Odello received a one-out walk, Tom Frincke doubled off the wall, went to third on the throw home and scored on a ground out by Rolfing. However, tying up the game actually hurt Carmel because after Frincke's double, Soquel manager John Hoglund brought in his ace pitcher Tim Hamm. Hamm, who was 12-0 before the game, came out of it 13-0. He allowed only two hits and struck out six in the 3⅔ innings he worked.

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SOQUEL TOOK the lead for good in the bottom of the fourth on a double by Hamm, a throwing error by John Lucido, and a single by Ron Childers. The Padres then fell farther behind in the bottom of the fifth as Carpenter walked two men and surrendered a double by Allison and a triple by Hamm for three runs and a 9-5 Soquel lead.

The Padres scored their final run in the sixth as Neil Vandervort reached first base on a passed ball after he had struck out, went to third on an error and scored on a ground out by Tom Frincke.

Tennis club opens

Carmel Valley Ranch will host an invitational grand opening party for the newly completed tennis club on the ranch property Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Membership information will be available beginning Saturday, according to Kaye Chandler, project director for the ranch development.

The club has three regular courts, an exhibition court, practice courts, swimming pool, clubhouses for men, women and children with locker room facilities and saunas, a small dining area and bar.

Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the County of Monterey, State of California, will hold a public hearing on the application of PEGGY RIANDA (MS-78-45) for a Minor Subdivision in accordance with Section 7 of Ordinance No. 1713, the Subdivision Ordinance of the County of Monterey, which would allow the division of 600 acres into a 300 acre parcel and two 150 acre parcels located approximately 2 miles northeast of Carmel Valley Road, approximately 6 miles north of Arroyo Seco Road South of Jamesburg.

A Negative Declaration has been prepared for the proposed project and the Planning Commission will consider the adoption of the Negative Declaration at the hearing.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that said hearing will be held on June 14, 1978, at the hour of 9:10 a.m. in the Supervisors' Chambers, Courthouse, Salinas, California, at which time and place any and all interested persons may appear and be heard thereon.

MONTEREY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
E. W. DE MARS
Secretary

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Vista Nadura EIR ordered

THE MONTEREY COUNTY Planning Commission has ordered an environmental impact report for the proposed Vista Nadura subdivision in Carmel Valley, rejecting arguments Wednesday that the 259-home development is premature for the area.

The project on the 1,298-acre Doud Ranch property adjacent to Carmel Valley Manor was scaled down from the 200-homesite and 220-condominium package presented to the commission in April.

Commissioner William Peters argued unsuccessfully that the development would have too great an impact on the Valley and could prove to be in conflict with the countywide growth management policy and revised Carmel Valley Master Plan. Both of these planning tools are now being developed and could mean the development would be rejected later on.

Spokesmen for the developers said they were willing to take that risk, noting that the EIR probably would not be considered by the commission for six months to a year. This would be simultaneous with or after consideration of the growth limiting policies.

The commission rejected a motion by Peters to find the proposal premature on a 3-4 vote and ordered an EIR on a 5-2 vote. Peters and Chairman Charmaine Cruchett opposed the EIR. Commissioner Joseph Sullivan supported Peters's initial motion.

Attorney George Schroeder, representing developer Nader Agha of Pebble Beach and landowner Eugene Polk of Arizona, said the EIR for the project

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Church hosts concert

Singer and recording artist John Fischer will present a concert Friday, June 2, 8 p.m., at the Monterey Conference Center Steinbeck Forum, 1 Portola Plaza, Monterey. His appearance is sponsored by the Carmel Presbyterian Church.

Tickets are $2. For reservations or more information, phone the Carmel Presbyterian Church, 624-3878.

Marriott issue is delayed

Bogged down by a long agenda, the Monterey County Planning Commission Wednesday continued consideration of the Rancho Canada Marriott Lodge until June 28.

The commission was scheduled to vote on the use permit for the proposed 376 room hotel-resort complex at the mouth of the Carmel Valley. But it fell four hours behind on a lengthy agenda and agreed to delay the Marriott matter until it could give the issue unhurried attention.

The hotel project was due to have a hearing beginning at 8:30 p.m. The commission was still considering items scheduled for 3 p.m. at that hour.

No specific hour has been set yet for the use permit hearing on the June 28 agenda.

Appointee sought by supervisor

County Supervisor Sam Farr of Carmel is seeking applicants to fill a vacancy on the Monterey County Social Services Commission.

The commission advises the board of supervisors on the administration of the social services department.

The commission meets on the third Thursday of every month at 4:30 p.m. in Salinas. Anyone living in the fifth supervisorial district interested in serving should write to Farr at 1200 Aguajito Rd., Monterey 93940.

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In defense of the SPCA

Dear Editor:

I write this letter as an individual in response to the "Newsroom View" article (May 25) regarding the SPCA. However, you should know that I am a recently appointed member of the SPCA Board of Directors.

First, I am greatly disappointed that a managing editor of a publication would allow his personal pique to override his professional training in evaluating the functions and benefits of such an organization as the SPCA.

Second, the guidelines used by the employees of the SPCA are, in part, based on information and concerns which appear not to have been fully explained to you. A major reason why the SPCA is reluctant to allow adoptions to homes where no one is home during the day is that these dogs are often returned to the shelter because of excessive destructiveness by the dog or because of excessive barking and neighbor complaints. The younger the dog, the more enthusiastically it tends to protest its boredom.

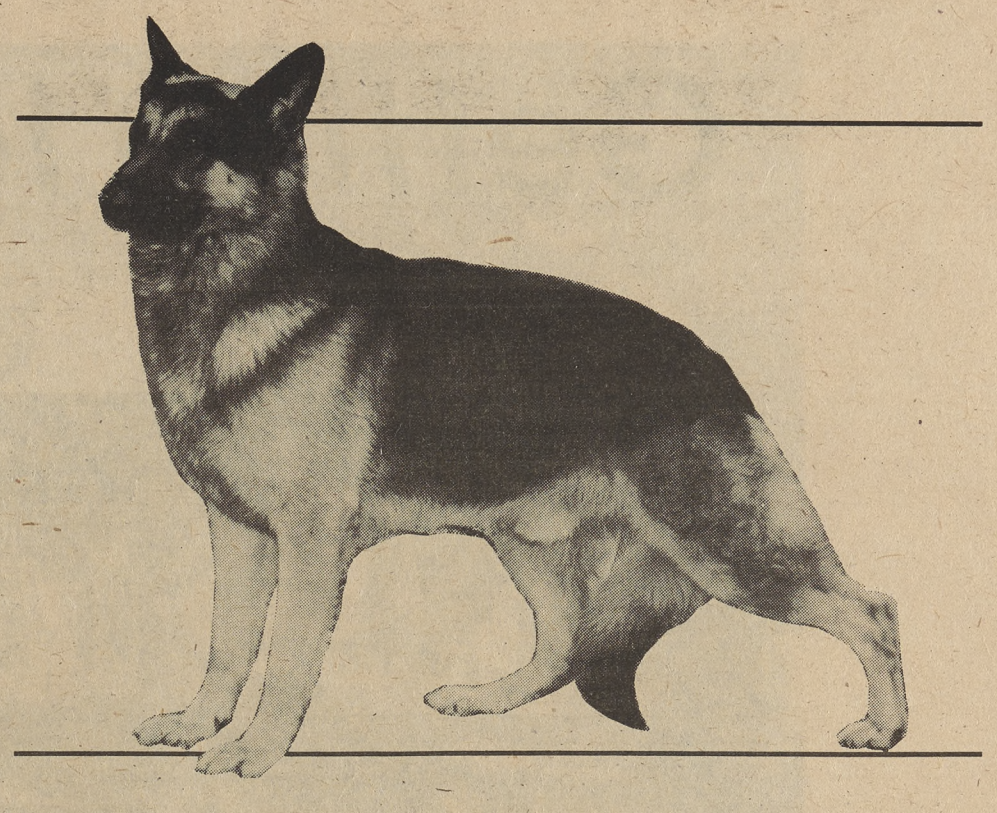
Third, Daisy was "free," but no more so than any animal adopted from the SPCA. Fees paid are only for rabies shots, licensing and spaying or neutering (at rates less than a veterinarian's usual fee). The $7 adoption fee covers the distemper shot each animal receives upon entrance to the kennels, the one to three or more days board in the kennels and administration and paperwork. It certainly will cost you no less to provide the things that Daisy needs than the costs of providing them for a dog adopted from the SPCA.

Fourth, although you have adopted a different pet, no matter which animal is counted there is still one extra. The SPCA keeps healthy stray animals for a minimum of three days and longer as space allows. Because of the large number of unwanted pets brought in, most often there just isn't room to keep animals for more than the minimum—usually every kennel is filled. How would you propose that we keep the animals longer, especially if those in positions such as yours do not support our efforts to avoid uncontrolled and unwanted puppies and kittens?

Finally, to suggest that the "real cruelty" to animals is "inflicted by those who zealously protect them...." is not merely inaccurate, but is grossly irresponsible. To imply that the SPCA has come between "homeless pets and the love ... (they) need" is equally uninformed.

My immediate reaction was to send you a note to cancel my subscription to the *Pine Cone*—but in all honesty, I like the *Pine Cone* and I think it serves an important function in our community. I'm sorry that in the frustration of your experience you were unable to see beyond your own parochial concerns. The SPCA is much more and a much better organization than you have described.

Daniel L. Gornel, M.D.
Carmel



Pity dog

Dear Editor:

With reference to the article "Who needs the SPCA?": in the opinion of my wife and myself, the SPCA was correct in refusing to let you have a three-month-old puppy.

In the first place, for the first few nights in a new home, the puppy should be given a bed beside the owner's until he is used to the new surroundings. While in the shelter, he had the companionship of other dogs during the day and night and he would be bound to feel scared and deserted if forced to spend the first few nights alone in an outside kennel.

Secondly, no full grown dog, let alone a puppy should be left alone all day, day after day, and young puppies need to be fed at least three, and maybe four, meals a day.

My wife and I have owned one or more dogs continuously for 35 years, two purebred English cockers and two mixed terriers. One of the cockers died at the age of 12 from a tumor that was discovered too late for surgery; the other lived to 16, as did one of the terriers. The other terrier lived to be 17½, so I think you will agree that we know a little about the care and feeding of dogs.

If Daisy is compelled to live under the conditions outlined in your article, we feel sorry for her, as dogs and cats, need lots of TLC, which it seems you are not prepared to give her.

Albert T. Perrett
Carmel

LETTERS

Firm on rules

Dear Editor:

Every person wishing to adopt a pet at the Monterey County SPCA is asked to fill out an adoption form. This form has remained basically the same for many years and, in fact, was one reason the MCSPCA was given an award for the high standards of its programs by the Humane Society of the United States.

The workers at the shelter reception desk also are receiving unwanted and/or abused animals and are apt to be rather firm about the adoption rules. Experience has dictated these rules.

The adoption fee includes distemper and rabies shots, dog license and neuter deposit, all excepting the license, at a low cost to the new owner.

No pet is "free."

Marilyn Farrar
Carmel

Disappointed

Dear Editor:

We are very disappointed with the article (May 25) regarding the judgeship race between Judge Silver and Mr. Schnal. We feel there was a bias against Judge Silver. We were, therefore, surprised you did not label the article an editorial opinion.

Your profile of Judge Silver was very inadequate. We can only assume that the writer of the article had little or no personal knowledge of Judge Silver. His law practice was far more diversified and widely recognized for excellence than your article indicated. He defended a myriad of clients with a vast range of legal needs, as does any attorney engaged in the general practice of law. Most importantly, his record since taking the bench has been widely acclaimed for prudence, wisdom and for Judge Silver's personal dedication to service.

Judge Silver is a man of impeccable character and integrity, a man of great humanness and warmth. Anyone knowing the man would never have to think how his vote was to be cast. We are sure that Mr. Schnal is a fine man, but people the caliber of Judge Richard Silver are far too rare in this world. We are very fortunate to have him as a judge in our Superior Court.

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4-H thanks

Dear Editor:

Our local 4-H clubs, the Buckeye and Boronda, and Carmel FFA would like to extend a special thank you to the buyers at the Salinas Valley Fair and their super support!

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Kim Parham
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Hatton Freeway

Dear Editor:

This is with reference to your "Pine Knots" column "Freeways Die Hard" (April 13). Sorry to be so long writing about it.

Those of us who lived here in 1956 can recall how hard we worked to get the Highway Department to agree to put another road—*a parkway, not a freeway*—through Hatton Canyon rather than widening Highway 1 and ruining its beauty in the process.

The decision to do this was made. The board of supervisors signed an agreement for this highway. The question should never have come up again. It is most discouraging to find that, with a change of regime and name of the department in charge of highways, and with protests on the part of people who have come here to live since this decision was made, we are now confronted with a repudiation of what should have been a final decision.

People who don't live in Hatton Fields or elsewhere bordering on Highway 1 apparently don't know how hard it is to get out, not only every day during the summer but on weekends all year 'round. Frequently traffic is backed up from Rio Road to Carpenter. Making Highway 1 a three- or four-lane highway would not be the answer to this congestion. In addition, it would necessitate the closing off of Morse Drive, Mesa and Atherton, putting a lot of local traffic onto Hatton Road and into Ocean Avenue, which is congested enough as it is.

Hatton Canyon has been designated as a road on maps for years and it is needed to take care of Valley and through traffic, leaving Highway 1 in its present state for local people. Again, it was to be a *parkway*, not a freeway.

Helen Lambert
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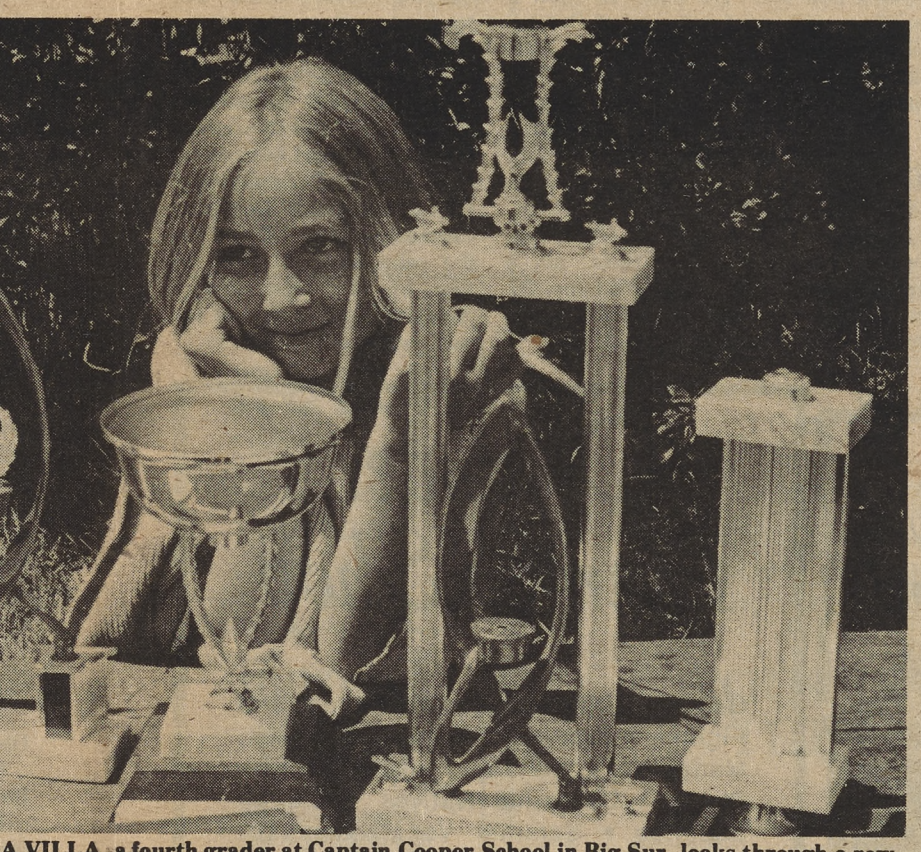
Getting to know you

BOB DOUGLAS, PRINCIPAL of Captain Cooper School (sitting on table), explains the day's activities to fourth and fifth graders from Carmel elementary schools at the first annual Captain Cooper Invitational. Pat Allen, the fifth grade teacher at Tularcitos, is seated to the right.

SPREAD OUT OVER the lawn at Captain Cooper, students (from left) Scott Dicken of Tularcitos, an unidentified boy, Shelley Koontz of Tularcitos and Alex Eisner of Tularcitos go for a win in the sack race.

ELENA VILLA, a fourth gr
of trophies awarded to stu
athletic events during the

TWO GROUPS OF STUDENTS dig in for a tug of war, one of the many events during the gathering in Big Sur for middle school-bound students.



A VILLA, a fourth grader at Captain Cooper School in Big Sur, looks through a row phies awarded to students from River, Tularcitos and Captain Cooper Schools in c events during the get-together.

Valley fifth graders gather in Big Sur

That was the object—getting Carmel Middle School-bound fifth graders together. Now that they know each other, the move to middle school next September should be easier.

Captain Cooper School in Big Sur played host to the visitors from River and Tularcitos Schools. Most of the day was spent at play and the event was formally called the "First Annual Captain Cooper Invitational." It was conducted on Friday, May 19.

More than 90 youngsters came and they all slept overnight and went home Saturday.

In each athletic event, the winner got a trophy. The trophies were a gift from Ron Thrash, president of the Captain Cooper Parents' Club. Ron cleaned out his collection of old bowling trophies, removed the insignias and statuettes and then the hosts put new labels on them.

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Water board debate

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mation of a water management district. They differ on the best way to get new water—some favor dams, others reclamation. Some want to study the matter in depth before agreeing on any best method.

Five of the seven directors would be elected directly. One would be a county supervisor residing in and representing the two supervisorial districts on the Peninsula. The seventh would be appointed by the seven Peninsula mayors, either a mayor, a city councilman or another designated representative.

The candidates and a brief statement of their positions, as outlined at the CVPOA forum, follows:

• Timothy C. Krech, 28, a student and carpenter, wants planned development of water resources related to growth. He criticized Cal-Am for inadequate planning.

• Maggie Arnold, a Monterey real estate broker, said there is a water supply problem and the district would assure that the solution was found on the local level. She does not want to purchase Cal-Am and looks toward conservation or a new dam as solutions. She does not believe growth management is a function of the district.

• Jack Broomhead, 61, of Pebble Beach said the people of the Peninsula should take water management into "our own hands." He wants to study all the alternatives before spending money on water supply solutions, but leans toward reclamation and clearing silt out of the two Carmel River dams. He does not trust Cal-Am data on available water, calling it "completely self-serving." Broomhead is a retired executive.

• Alfred Gawthrop, 63, of Pebble Beach emphasizes the management of water from supply to distribution. Reclamation is high on his list of priorities, with expensive alternatives to be studied in depth before going to the voters. He is a retired executive with the Pebble Beach Corp.

• George Leslie of Pebble Beach opposes formation of the district as an unnecessary waste of money for already overtaxed land owners. He also disputes whether local tax funding would guarantee local control.

• Nancy McClintock of Seaside said her main concern is assuring good quality water for the Peninsula, citing existing problems with Seaside wells and difficulties if the Carmel River aquifer is polluted. She is a public school teacher.

• Paul T. Nielsen, 45, of Carmel Valley said he has been trying to get reclamation of wastewater started since the early 1960s and would continue to work for that on the district board. He is a landscape designer and horticulture instructor.

• Harold G. Ragan, 50, of Monterey said the district would be the one authority responsible for storage, use and distribution of Peninsula water. He wants the district to buy Cal-Am, saying control of water is "too important to be trusted to a private monopoly and the PUC." He is a librarian.

• William N. Smale, 60, said he has studied water issues for years in connection with ranching problems and said reclamation is the "thing for the future." He called the Cal-Am buyout a "non-issue" and the cost of the district minor. Even at the 10-cent tax level, it would cost at most $25 for a $100,000 home, which he said is "worth it for good water management." He is a sales management consultant.

• William C. Woodworth, 60, of Pacific Grove said his meteorology background and private study of Peninsula water issues will give him a good background for the board. Woodworth said authority over water is fragmented and a single district is more effective than the present division of authority. He is a financial planner and retired geophysicist.

• Fred Forest of Pacific Grove emphasized conservation and reclamation to assure a water supply in the future. He said a new Carmel River dam would be a good alternative.

• Harold F. Chavis, 62, of Monterey criticized the "ineptitude" of past water management and said a district would be the "only agency to handle our water problems." He endorsed a multipurpose dam, if a dam is built, and an equal sharing of the cost by all district taxpayers. Reusing wastewater was also on his priority list, along with an investigation of all solutions. Chavis is a business instructor at Monterey Peninsula College.

• Calvin C. B. Wheeler, 62, of Pebble Beach called Cal-Am an "efficient" utility and opposed buying it out. He would like the district to wholesale water to Cal-Am. He is a retired geologist.

• Edwin B. Lee, 54, of Carmel Valley favors a small, single-purpose dam at the San Clemente site, which he said would cost $50 million. He would have new residents or developers pay a larger share for the cost of the dam, since they would be most directly benefited. Lee is an operational planner.

• Janice O'Brien, 56, of Pebble Beach wants extensive study of all alternatives before going ahead with new supply sources. She would have the district hire a hydrologist to survey water supplies and also would review past supply studies. She is a real estate agent.

• Mel Vercoe of Pacific Grove wants a full background study before taking any action on a new dam. He wants to know if the public would pay for it, and if Cal-Am would buy the water. He opposes the district and "distrusts its motives."

Other candidates who did not appear were William R. Gianelli, 58, a consulting civil engineer from Pebble Beach; Nick Lombardo, 49, president of Rancho Canada Golf and Country Club; Edward R. Reins, 52, an engineer; Jack Martin, 63, a real estate broker; John I. Mehrholz, 46, a Monterey businessman; John Williams, 36, a climatologist; and Roger W. Winslow, 42, a manager of investment properties.

Mercurio

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traffic, potential landslides on lots near steep slopes and the growth inducing nature of the project also were negative factors.

He also opposed the density on land with steep slopes. He cited the precedent of the Carmel Valley Ranch development, where density is planned for one unit per acre of land with a slope less than 30 per cent.

He envisioned a maximum of 12 lots on the property.

Commission chairman Charmaine Cruchett said in moving for rejection of the project that "on another day" she might have recommended six lots for the development, but said that the negative environmental effects are "unmitigateable." Peters seconded her motion and the commission supported the action 7-0.

Land swap details due Thursday

Monterey Peninsula Regional Park directors will hear the details of an offer to sell the district nearly 700 acres of hillside and canyon land in Carmel Valley when they meet next Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Seaside City Council chambers, 440 Harcourt Ave., Seaside.

The offer comes from Dorothea Condon, who owns the land on the south slope of the Valley at Boronda and Garzas Roads.

The property being offered includes Garzas Canyon, Garzas Creek and two redwood groves in the canyon.

She would retain 50 acres with a homesite for herself, and an additional 55 acres to be sold as custom homesites.

M. A. "Skip" Marquard of Porter Marquard Realty in Carmel Valley will outline the sales offer. It involves sale of the land and a donation back as part of the sale price to the district.

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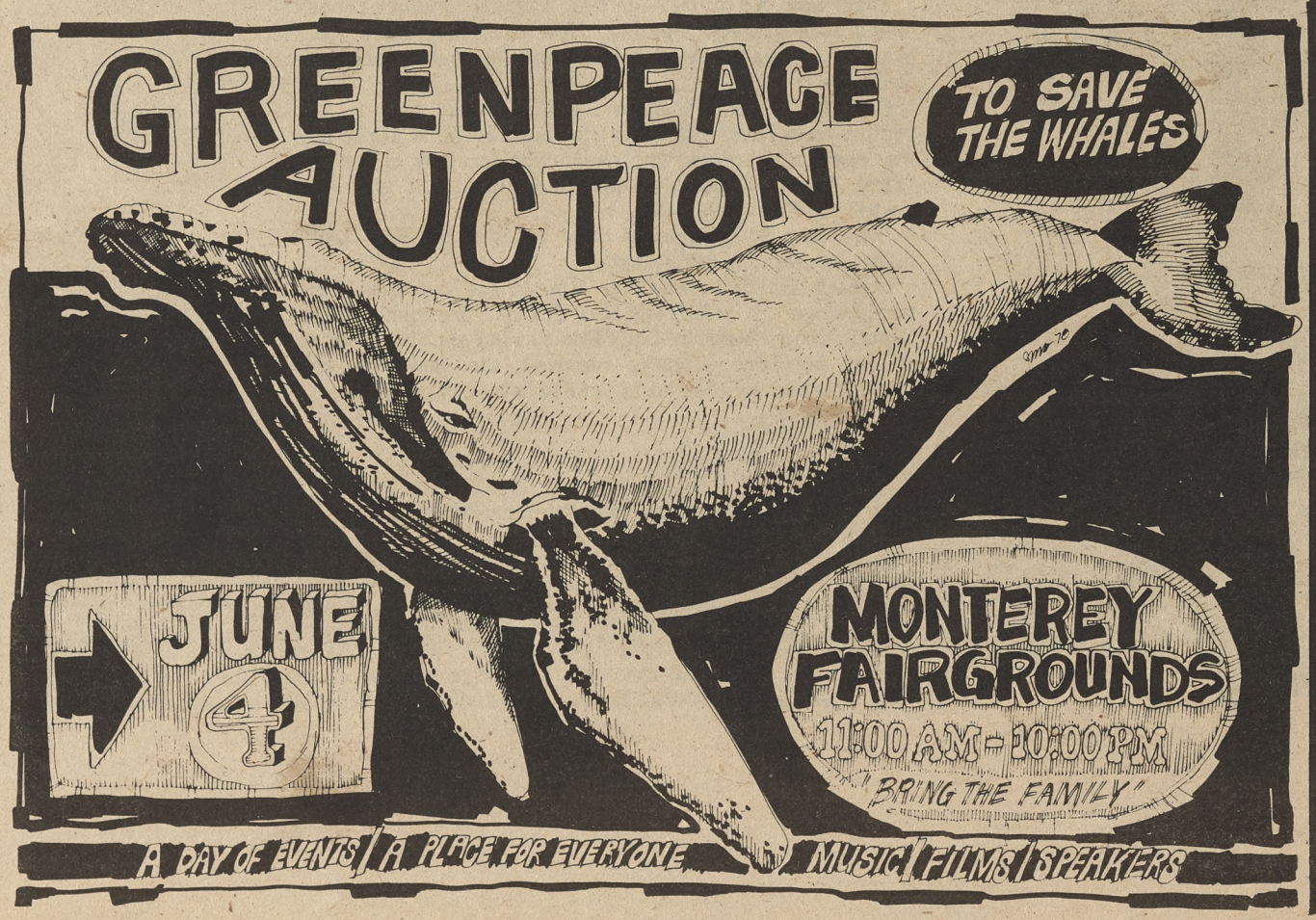

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would "go hand and glove" with the Valley master plan revision.

He also said the development would be a "good project" because it reduces the allowable density on the land from the one unit per acre permitted by the zoning to one unit per five acres.

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"WE'VE BEEN completely generous in reducing the density on the property," Agha told the commission. "Under current laws, we could handle up to 1,300 units. We have set a precedent and you should be completely happy about it."

The proposal calls for 258 homesites to be created on the land, along with a 14-acre horse center where an existing barn and house stand fronting Carmel Valley Road.

Agha would put in roads, storm drains, utility lines and supply water through a recently drilled well on the property. The homesites would be sold in five phases of about 50 units each for custom home construction by the buyers.

Carl Hooper of Bestor Engineers Inc., the engineering firm for the project, said after the hearing that similar developments in the Valley—Rancho Rio Vista and Tierra Grande—still have lots undeveloped 10 or 20 years after they were subdivided.

Mary Ann Matthews, who serves on the Valley master plan revision committee, said she and other committee members are "concerned about the number of proposals coming on line since the committee began. These would commit large amounts of pristine land to irrevocable development" just as a new master plan is being completed.

She also argued that the current growth rate for the Valley is twice that of the county at large, an estimated 130 to 160 new units per year.

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"EXISTING development and minor subdivisions already use up all of this," she said. "We don't have the capabilities as far as traffic, water supply or sewage to absorb the existing development."

Cooking show Saturday

Free cooking demonstrations at the Peppercorn this weekend will feature French doughnuts and zucchini bread. The demonstrations will be Saturday and Sunday, June 3-4, at the Peppercorn in the Barnyard, Highway 1 and Rio Rd., Carmel.

French doughnuts will be explained Saturday from 11 a.m. until early afternoon; the zucchini bread program is scheduled for the same hours Sunday.

Local student returns from Italy trip

Blanca Zarazua of Carmel Valley has returned to Pitzer College in Claremont after spending two weeks in Italy studying the Italian language and history.

She and several other students stayed in Rome. Blanca is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aquilino Zarazua.

After returning, she said there were several similarities in the family structures in Italy and Mexico.

Zerbe named YWCA treasurer

Carl Zerbe of Carmel Valley has been named treasurer of the Monterey Peninsula YMCA. Zerbe is a partner in the Pacific Grove law firm of Bernstein, Zerbe and Buck.

Zerbe and his wife, Audrey, recently became parents of twin sons.

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CONCLUSION

The Shield under Stone

A short novel by Tina Meckel, 14

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(Editor's note: Tina Meckel is the daughter of Lisa Meckel of Carmel and Peter Meckel of Carmel Valley. She is enrolled in the mentally gifted minors program at Carmel Middle School. Tina wrote this Sherlock Holmes mystery as part of a class project. A total of 55 entries by students were read by members of the Diogenes Club, a local group of Holmes devotees. Hers won first place. A copy of "The Shield under Stone" was put on display for the week-long conference of the International Reading Association in Houston, Tex. The conference, concluded on May 8, displayed short novels by children from 56 nations.)

Trying to locate Julia Bateson, their missing client, Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson had resorted to eavesdropping where we left off last week.

They went to the servants' quarters at Leonard Castle, the English residence her father bought to establish a museum. One particular servant, Ellen Peck, was close to Julia and Holmes wanted to question her about Miss Bateson's disappearance. To avoid arousing suspicion, Holmes first eavesdropped on chatter between the servants to establish Miss Peck's identity and then slipped a note to her under the bottom of a door.

The sleuths were asked by Miss Bateson to investigate bizarre occurrences in the castle. But she abruptly disappeared and her father, a widower, would only say that she had left for an extended stay with relatives.

After Holmes succeeded in slipping the note to Miss Peck, however, he turned around to find that his assistant, Doctor Watson, had vanished.

VI - The imposter

Holmes walked quickly up and down the path, searching vainly for Watson. He caught himself a split-second before calling out. If he were to yell for Watson, this surely would be heard by the servants. Besides, there had to be some explanation why Watson had vanished. Watson was probably up getting a breath of fresh air.

"Come to think of it, I was a bit harsh on the old fellow," remarked Holmes to himself.

When Holmes reached the top of the stairs, he saw Watson's figure hovering about the old carriages.

"Just like him to amuse himself with something utterly off the subject while I do all the work," Holmes thought to himself.

"Watson, it's about time I found you. I've spent a considerable amount of wasted time searching for you and don't expect me to do it again!" said Holmes, who sounded upset, but was actually relieved to have Watson along with him again.

"I'm so sorry, Holmes, but I really thought that someone should guard the door ... you know, just in case."

"Yes, yes, that's enough talk. We should really be getting on," said Holmes as he started out through the coach house door. They began to thread their way slowly back towards the castle. The rain had let up and they made good time.

"Ellen Peck got the note," said Holmes in a low whisper to Watson. "She will meet us after Bateson has left." Watson nodded gravely in reply.

They settled themselves down. Crouching low behind the trees and shrubs of the drive, they began to wait. It was beginning to get late when Bateson finally left the mansion.

After he had gone, Holmes and Watson waited for several minutes. They got up and made their way quickly to meet Ellen.

She was waiting as promised along the west side of the castle.

Outside Holmes got a better look at Ellen. She was about 18 years old. She had sandy blond hair and freckles scattered across her face.

"Thank goodness you're here, Mr. Holmes!" she cried after spotting the two men trudging up the hill. "I've been so worried. I hope you will be able to help us."

"My dear girl," exclaimed Watson. "You must be careful about what you shout out. We don't want everyone to know about this."

"Oh, I'm so sorry," Ellen said, wringing her hands in despair. "I won't do it again, Mr. Holmes, I promise!"

"Mr. Holmes indeed," said Watson with a chuckle. "This is the man you're looking for." He gestured to Holmes. "I'm just an assistant. Watson is my name."

"Oh dear, I'm so sorry. I'll take you inside now, so that we can talk without being overheard." She turned around and beckoned for Holmes and Watson to follow quietly.

They went through a side door to the castle and crept up a small staircase. Ellen paused to turn and whisper, "I have to take the back way, just in case we should be seen." Holmes nodded approvingly as they crept on.

Once on the upper level, Ellen seemed more at ease. She led them weaving in and out through the elegantly furnished rooms. At last, they came to a chamber overlooking the front pathway to the castle.

"This is where Julia and Mr. Bateson were last night when they were arguing," said Ellen as she stood back against the wall.

Holmes chose one of the many chairs and began his questioning.

"Miss Peck, what did Bateson tell his servants about Julia's disappearance?"

"Nothing really. He just said that Julia needed a vacation and went to stay with some relatives."

"You say that you don't believe this. How come?"

"Well, first of all, Julia and I are very close friends. She tells me almost everything she is planning. She said nothing about this to me and I find it hard to believe that she would go off and leave like that. Second, Julia swore that she would stay here at Leonard Castle until she had everything worked out."

"You said something about Bateson being gone a lot. What does that mean?"

"We really don't know, sir," Ellen answered. "He has been gone at night, and at other strange hours during the day. Julia asked him where he had been but he refused to answer."

"Very strange," mumbled Holmes to himself. "Very strange." He sat for a few moments with the tips of his fingers resting on his chin.

"Well!" he said as he jumped up. "I would like to search this room for clues."

Holmes walked slowly around the room, pulling out drawers, shuffling through papers. He was silent until he came upon a small brown rectangular book.

"What is this?" he asked Ellen.

"I think it is Julia's diary," she answered uncertainly.

"Well," Holmes began slowly, "this could be a valuable clue. You see, someone or something interrupted Julia in the middle of her writing. The last word isn't finished. There is also a penmark from the end of the last word scratched across the page."

It was quiet for a few minutes and Holmes spoke again.

"It is my guess that Julia got up from her desk and ran across the room."

That evening, when Holmes and Watson sat eating their supper, they discussed the case.

"What do you think, Holmes?" asked Watson.

"I think that it is quite obvious. You, Dr. Watson, are not Dr. Watson but an imposter!"

VII - Secret stone

The long stride of Bateson's mount brought him within sight of the cabin quickly. He dismounted and led the chestnut mare through the trees and into the barn. If nothing else, there was at least one good thing to be said about Bateson. He was an excellent horseman.

Both the cabin and the barn were well hidden from sight. In fact, if one didn't know they were there, one probably wouldn't see them. The trees had been cut down about two feet away from the cabin on all sides. The long branches pushed against the walls and kept the structure well hidden; there was one path leading up to the cabin from behind. After Bateson walked up the path, he covered it up with pine branches.

Bateson opened the door and walked into the smoke-filled room. There were three other men inside.

Carl Currie, who was Bateson's counterpart, sat on top of a stack of crates in the corner of the room. Joshua Tarpe and Jack Owens sat facing each other over a game of poker.

As Bateson entered the room, the conversation stopped. He said nothing, but walked over to the couch and sat down. He stared at each man through slanted eyes. Then he asked,

"Where is Julia?"

"She's in the back room, boss," answered Tarpe.

"Is she all right?"

"I guess so. She's all tied up now," said Currie.

"Well, send her into me and get her some food," said Bateson in a voice that made everyone get to work.

"And you!" he grabbed Owens by the arm. "Get a fire going in here. It's freezing!"

After a few minutes, Julia came out. She had a bruise over her left eye and dried blood on her cheek. She limped across the room and sat facing the fire.

Bateson studied her face intently and then spoke.

"I'm really sorry. I had to do it. You forced me." Julia didn't say anything, but held her head high and stared at the fire.

"It was for your own good, Julia. I did it for you." Julia still said nothing.

"If you aren't going to listen, I'm not going to explain."

Currie came out and put two bowls of soup and some burnt toast in front of Julia.

"Can't you cook?" Bateson asked disgustedly.

"Well, it was a rush job," said Currie with a sardonic laugh. Sensing Bateson's mood, he left the room quickly.

Bateson held out a bowl of soup to Julia, who took it quickly. Seeing no spoon, she began to drink hungrily.

Bateson got up and put his hand on Julia's head and said, "I'm sorry." He walked out of the room.

It was about midnight when the four men gathered inside the barn. They each had a horse. Bateson, in the front, led the procession through the woods.

They reached their destination about one o'clock.

After securing his horse tightly, Bateson fumbled with a latch and pulled open a heavy door. He withdrew a torch from a hidden shelf in the wall. Once it was burning, he began walking down a path. One by one, the others followed. After going through dark paths, Bateson reached the room. He put his torch in a holder and began to work. The other men came into the room and did the same.

After the machines had started, Bateson stood back and watched the bills roll off the press. This was the kind of work he liked. He sighed and leaned back against the wall.

Bateson pressed his ear against the thick stone. Perhaps it was possible to hear the servants from here. He didn't hear anything. He walked about four feet down the wall and listened. He could definitely hear them.

Bateson frowned. This didn't make sense. He walked back to his original spot on the wall. There must be something between this room and the next. Bateson pulled on one stone. It came out easily along with a shower of dust. He kept on pulling out the stones until a section about four feet in diameter had been revealed Bateson pulled back a few sheets of aging newspaper.

He gasped. Inside the wall was an old Egyptian shield, jeweled with gold, rubies and diamonds.

VIII - Ghosts revealed

Move back, right now," said a voice behind Bateson's back. He spun around and stood facing a man who was about six inches taller than his own six feet.

"I said, move back!" the man repeated. Bateson glanced around for help from his partners. They were huddled in the corner, surrounded by four other men.

"What are you doing here?" demanded Bateson.

"I might ask you the same," said the tall man looking at the machines.

"This is my property and my business."

"Hmm, counterfeiting, doesn't look like just your business. Now, are you going to move back or am I going to make you?" Bateson staggered back several feet.

"Thank you, so much," said the man as he removed the shield. He took out a rag from his pocket and began to polish the face of the shield as he gazed at it lovingly.

"Just as I had imagined it," he said, still staring at the piece of art.

Bateson stood completely speechless. Here he had been, minding his own business, in his own counterfeiting room, in his own castle, when suddenly a strange group of men appeared and produced from nowhere a beautiful shield. What could he say to that?

"You see," the tall man explained in a tone of voice which suggested that this sort of thing happened to him all the time, "we were your ghosts."

"Ghosts?" Bateson repeated in a cracked voice.

"Yes, we were the ones who put on costumes and went around scaring people. We swung the chandeliers and turned off the electricity. We were trying to frighten you away, but then you brought in those detectives."

"Detectives? What is going on?" screamed Bateson.

"I'm trying to tell you," said the man. "There were two detectives down here this afternoon. You know, the ones your daughter employed several days ago. Anyway, we heard her talking about this before she called him up. We started making a double for his partner, that is after we found out what he looked like. While he was listening at the wall, we grabbed his partner and put in one of our own men. We knew the shield was down here somewhere. We decided to wait a while until Boris could take care of the detective. But when you found the shield, we decided to take it before you could. So, here we are," concluded the tall man. "Oh, by the way, my name is Russell, Joe Russell."

"That's nice," said Bateson who had stopped listening when the detectives came in. "I thought Holmes gave in too soon," Bateson said to himself.

"Boss," one of the men shouted, "what are we going to do with these guys?"

"There's only one choice Charlie, we have to kill them."

IX - Watson found

"First of all, Dr. Watson sits at the end of the table," said Holmes pointing across from where the imposter was sitting. "He has sat there ever since I've known him.

"Second, Watson hates brussels sprouts. You ate two helpings.

"Third, Watson is allergic to the kind of tobacco you are smoking.

"Fourth, why would Watson be guarding the passageway when he knew we hadn't been followed. Furthermore, when he didn't even know his way out of the tunnel."

The imposter began to make his way across the room. Holmes stood up and ran through the kitchen. He nearly knocked over the maid who had just finished mopping the floor. He cut off the imposter at the front door.

After another short chase and a fight, Holmes snapped a pair of handcuffs on Boris. Before Holmes reached the phone it rang.

"Hello."

"Hello, Mr. Holmes, this is Ellen Peck again."

"Yes."

"This is terribly important. Bateson and some other men are behind our wall. We have heard them fighting. I think you should come quickly."

"I'm coming right over," said Holmes.

Holmes then phoned the police. By the time Boris was locked up in the wagon, and the police were on their way to the castle, Holmes had learned that Boris was an imposter put in by a group of men looking for an Egyptian shield. The real Dr. Watson was locked up somewhere below the castle.

Once they reached the castle drive, Holmes motioned for the driver to pull over at the side of the road. They crept quietly to the coach house.

Holmes ran down the stairs of the passageway. Judging from the noise he could hear, Holmes took the path which branched off to the right.

Holmes's companions had just caught up with him when they saw the tip of his cloak swing around the corner.

Holmes broke into a run. After coming to a doorway, he stopped and peered around the corner. This was the counterfeiting room. Holmes turned around and spoke to the men behind him.

"We need some kind of a plan." Holmes stopped to count the men. There were 12. "You!" barked Holmes, pointing to one of his men. "Stand down the path about 10 feet in case they try to run." He assigned each policeman a man to cover.

All of a sudden they ran swiftly and silently into the room.

The plan worked famously. Nobody could figure out what had happened until they were in the firm hold of an officer.

Between Bateson and Russell, Holmes began to understand exactly what had happened.

Russell and his group of men had known that the shield was somewhere in the castle. When they had found the castle occupied by Bateson, they tried to frighten him into leaving. Bateson in the meantime had set up a counterfeiting outfit so he could afford to make the castle into a museum. Bateson didn't want to report the scares in the castle for fear that his business also would be discovered.

Julia had talked to Ellen about calling Mr. Holmes. Russell and his gang had heard about this so they started making a double of Watson. This double would go with Holmes back to his house and then kill the detective. Julia did call Holmes, so Bateson was forced to kidnap his own daughter so that she wouldn't give him away.

"There are only two questions left," Holmes said to the group. "Where are Julia and Dr. Watson?"

Bateson stepped forward. "Julia is in our cabin which is located south of the castle."

"You go with these men then," Holmes said. "Bring Julia back to the castle before you go to the police station. Tell her Ellen will be waiting for her."

After they had left, Holmes heard a barely audible moan.

"Is that you, old chap?" Holmes shouted.

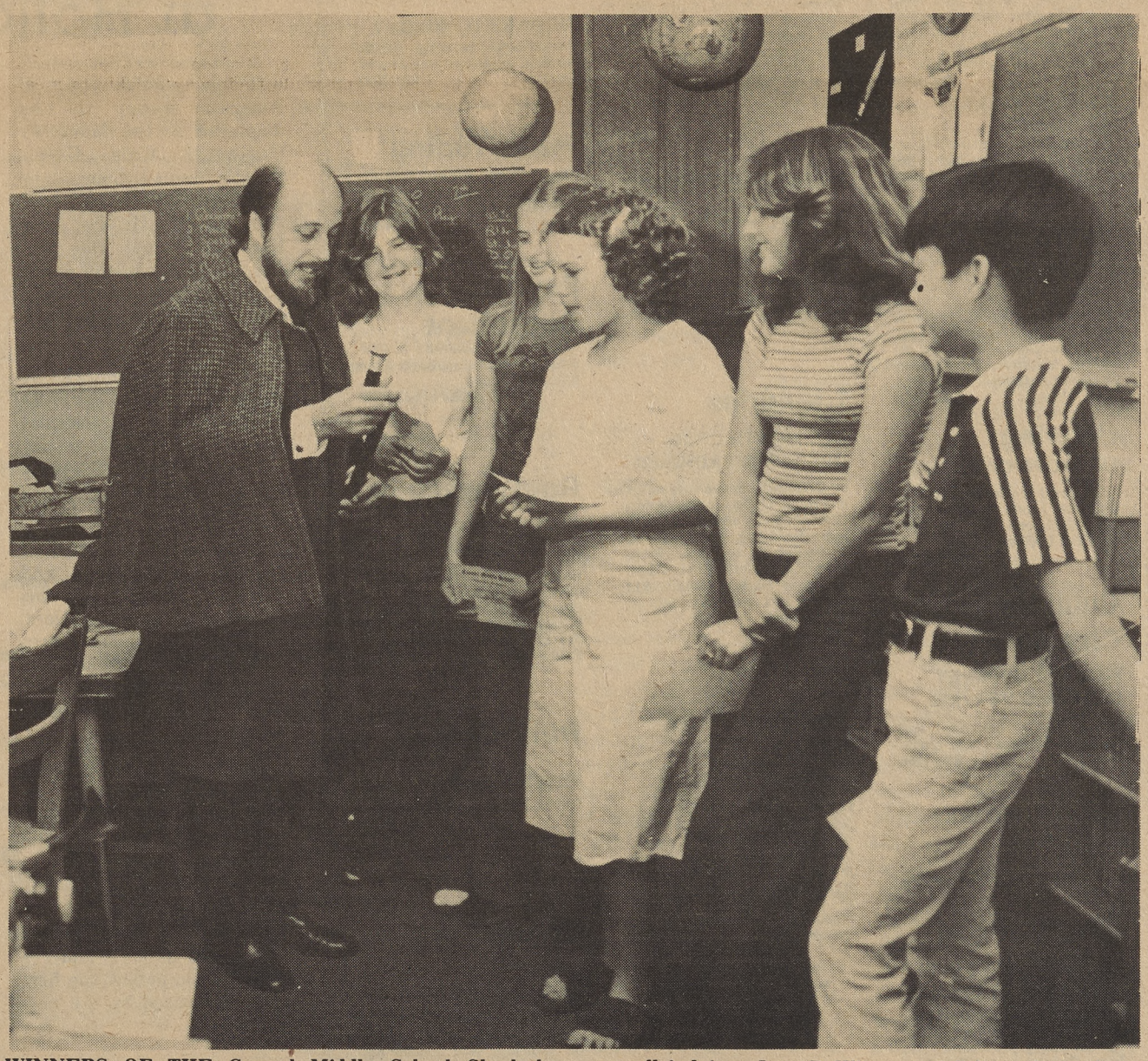
"Holmes get me out of here!" the voice said again.

"Where in the world are you?"

"Behind the panel you are leaning on."

Holmes turned around and pushed one side of the panel sharply. Nothing happened. Holmes pushed the other side. A half-suffocated Watson fell out.

"Thank you, Holmes, thank you so much."



WINNERS OF THE Carmel Middle School Sherlock Holmes Story contest visited with one of the judges, Roger Fremier, representing the Diogenes Club. The youngsters are (left to right) Teresa Walker, an eighth grader; Lisa Husby, a seventh grader; Tina Meckel, winner of the overall judging; Jane DeWitt, an eighth grade student; and Jerry Hu, a seventh grader. Each youngster placed first, second or third in class judging. A sixth winner, Cheryl Allaire, was absent when the photo was taken.

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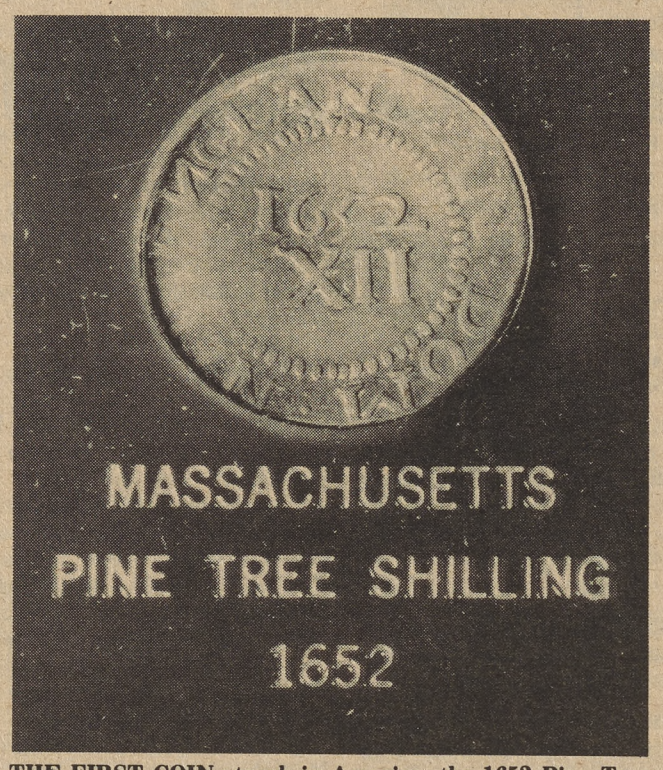

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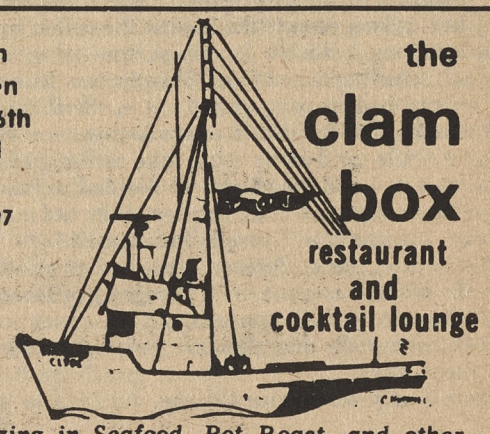
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NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that said hearing will be held on June 14, 1978, at the hour of 2:55 p.m. in the Supervisors' Chambers, Courthouse, Salinas, California, at which time and place any and all interested persons may appear and be heard thereon.

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(Lower Carmel Valley area)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the County of Monterey, State of California, will hold a public hearing on the application of CARMEL VALLEY RANCH (PC-3252) to amend Sections 10-6J and 10-6K of Ordinance No. 911, being the Zoning Plan Ordinance of the County of Monterey, thereby considering the reclassification of certain property located on portion of Sections 24 and 25, Township 16 South, Range 1 East, and portion of Section 30, Township 16 South, Range 2 East, Lower Carmel Valley area, located easterly of Robinson Canyon Road, from a "K-G-J-B-4" District to an "R-1-D-B-6" and "ST Max. 5 Ac." District or to some other classification, to allow residential subdivision consisting of 160 lots.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that said hearing will be held on June 14, 1978, at the hour of 9:50 a.m. in the Supervisors' Chambers, Courthouse, Salinas, California, at which time and place any and all interested persons may appear and be heard thereon.

MONTEREY COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION
E. W. DE MARS
Secretary

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June 1, 1978 (CVO 652)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
(Upper Carmel Valley area)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the County of Monterey, State of California, will hold a public hearing on the application of MILTON MARQUARD JR. (PC-3281) for a Use Permit in accordance with Section 32 of Ordinance No. 911, the Zoning Ordinance of the County of Monterey, which would allow a water system, located on portion of Lot 8, Los Tularcitos Rancho, Upper Carmel Valley area, located southerly of Carmel Valley Road and westerly of Cachagua Road. "NOTE: A Negative Declaration has been prepared for the proposed project and the Planning Commission will consider the adoption of the Negative Declaration at the hearing."

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that said hearing will be held on June 14, 1978, at the hour of 2:00 p.m. in the Supervisors' Chambers, Courthouse, Salinas, California, at which time and place any and all interested persons may appear and be heard thereon.

MONTEREY COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION
E. W. DE MARS
Secretary

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Preliminary Budget of the Mid-Carmel Valley Fire Protection District of Monterey County for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1978, has been adopted by the Board of Directors of the District and is available at the following time and place within the District for inspection by interested taxpayers:
Mid-Valley Fire Station
8455 Carmel Valley Road
Carmel, Calif. 93923

That on June 21, 1978, at the hour of 8:00 a.m. at 8455 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, California, the Board of Directors of said district will meet for the purpose of fixing the final budget, and that any taxpayers may appear at said time and place and be heard regarding the increase, decrease or omission of any item of the budget or for the inclusion of additional items.

PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAID DISTRICT.

M. A. MARQUARD JR.
Chairman

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